Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of March 18-19, 2014

In accordance with Section 271.25 of its rules regarding availability of information (12 CFR part 271), there is set forth below the domestic policy directive issued by the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on March 18-19, 2014.¹

Consistent with its statutory mandate, the Federal Open Market Committee seeks monetary and financial conditions that will foster maximum employment and price stability. In particular, the Committee seeks conditions in reserve markets consistent with federal funds trading in a range from 0 to ½ percent. The Committee directs the Desk to undertake open market operations as necessary to maintain such conditions. Beginning in April, the Desk is directed to purchase longer-term Treasury securities at a pace of about \$30 billion per month and to purchase agency mortgage-backed securities at a pace of about \$25 billion per month. The Committee also directs the Desk to engage in dollar roll and coupon swap transactions as necessary to facilitate settlement of the Federal Reserve's agency mortgage-backed securities transactions. The Committee directs the Desk

¹ Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on March 18-19, 2014, which includes the domestic policy directive issued at the meeting, are available upon request to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's Annual Report.

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to maintain its policy of rolling over maturing Treasury securities into new issues

and its policy of reinvesting principal payments on all agency debt and agency

mortgage-backed securities in agency mortgage-backed securities. The System

Open Market Account Manager and the Secretary will keep the Committee

informed of ongoing developments regarding the System's balance sheet that could

affect the attainment over time of the Committee's objectives of maximum

employment and price stability.

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, April 10, 2014.

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Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.

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